## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT, WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES P. O. BOX 451 JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI 39205

# PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT NUMBER W14-3433(I)

TO: The Honorable Delbert Hosemann

Secretary of State Post Office Box 136 Jackson, MS 39205

AND

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

The Mississippi Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, at a meeting in Jackson, Mississippi on April 21, 2009, under authority of Section 25-43-3.103, Mississippi Code of 1972, made known its intent to adopt the following 2009-2010 Small Game Hunting and Trapping Seasons and Bag Limits. This was done under authority of Sections 49-1-29, 49-5-13 and 49-7-31, Mississippi Code of 1972.

Be it ordered that Public Notice Number W13-3433 is hereby repealed and the following 2009-2010 Small Game Hunting and Trapping Seasons and Bag Limits are adopted.

#### FROG:

April 1, 2010 - September 30, 2011

BAG LIMIT: 25

Only 25 may be taken in any one night. A valid hunting or fishing license is required.

#### RACCOON:

July 1, 2009 - September 30, 2009

BAG LIMIT: 1 per party per night

# OPOSSUM, RACCOON, AND BOBCAT:

October 1, 2009 - October 30, 2009 (sport hunting with dogs and guns for food & sport) BAG LIMIT: 5 per day; 8 per party

October 31, 2009 - February 28, 2010 (sport hunting with dogs and guns for food, sport, and pelt)

BAG LIMIT: No limit

#### **SQUIRREL:**

**Zone 1:** Areas north of Hwy. 82 plus those portions of Sunflower County and Washington County south of Hwy. 82.

October 3, 2009 - February 28, 2010 BAG LIMIT: 8 per day

Zone 2: Areas between Hwy. 82 and Hwy. 84 plus portions of the state south of Hwy. 84 and west of I-55.

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October 17, 2009 - February 28, 2010 BAG LIMIT: 8 per day

Zone 3: Areas south of Hwy. 84 and east of I-55.

October 31, 2009 - February 28, 2010 BAG LIMIT: 8 per day

# Youth Squirrel Hunts\*\* (Private Lands Only)

Zone 1 - September 26 - October 2, 2009 BAG LIMIT: 8 per day

Zone 2 - October 10 - October 16, 2009 BAG LIMIT: 8 per day

Zone 3 - October 24 - October 30, 2009 BAG LIMIT: 8 per day

\*\* Persons eligible to participate in this special hunt are those who are fifteen (15) years of age or younger. A child at least twelve (12) years of age and under sixteen (16) years of age must have a certificate of satisfactory completion of a hunter education course approved by the department before hunting in this state or be in the presence and under the direct supervision of a licensed or exempt hunter at least twenty-one (21) years of age when hunting. A child under the age of twelve (12) must be in the presence and under the direct supervision of a licensed or exempt hunter at least twenty-one (21) years of age when the child is hunting. A licensed hunter supervising a child as provided in this section must hold a valid Mississippi license for the species being hunted.

U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service and U. S. Army Corps of Engineers managed lands: These lands are authorized to provide youth squirrel hunting opportunities on days designated by Federal Regulations. Contact local National Wildlife Refuge or Corps of Engineers managers for details.

## **BOBWHITE QUAIL:**

November 26, 2009 - March 6, 2010 BAG LIMIT: 8 per day

#### RABBIT:

October 17, 2009 - February 28, 2010 BAG LIMIT: 8 per day

### TRAPPING SEASON:

November 1, 2009 - February 28, 2010 BAG LIMIT: No Limit Public Notice of Intent No. W14-3433(I) Page Three

Anyone wishing to comment on the above proposed action may do so in writing to the Executive Director, Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, P. O. Box 451, Jackson, MS 39205, no later than May 21, 2009.

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS

BY: John C Stanley IV, Chairman

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Sam Polles, Ph.D., Executive Director